Number of Stars in the Sky

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Summary: He missed her, and he needed her. She didn't miss him, but whether she liked it or not, she needed him. Kayuki has spent the last three years trying to forget Sasuke, but after a not-so-great reunion, her life is thrown into a bottomless pit of troubles. SasukexOc. This story starts at Shippuden.

1. Chapter 1

Hi! I'm a sorta old user on wattpad that recently has decided to write something. Please don't steal my work, I don't mind translating it but whatever you do, please give me credit. XD

I honestly have no Idea how this will turn out..

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><p>Sasuke couldn't have been more depressed. Orochimaru and Kabuto had all noticed his stoick face become colder, and the bags under his eyes deepened as each day went on. His blade was dull and his chakra was misused, and the ordinary spark for revenge was barely flickering his eyes. Afraid, the three of them didn't speak a word about it. They figured it was best to keep their mouth shut and eyes open. If things went out of hand, which they were hoping wouldn't happen, they would probably be the ones who he would take it out on.<p>

Sasuke himself couldn't understand what had happened to his original power, his blade, and his urge for revenge on Itachi. It all seemed to just . . . fade away. Of course, he had an idea, but it seemed to distant to be a possibility. And of course his idea was absurd and impossible. He had cut all of his ties with her years before and he made sure that he had no feelings left. However, on some nights, he could still smell her silky black hair, feel her small body tucked safely against his chest, only to awaken to the cold air and the bed of grass beneath him. Sasuke shook his head and stood up, brushing

off the imaginary specks of dirt on his outfit.

"Let's go."

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><p>"Kakashi Sensei, are you sure about this?" Kayaki Mizukachi tied her hair up into a high ponytail atop her head, "I mean, after all you've just recovered."<p>

"Kayaki, you need to trust me and not worry about me," Kakashi patted her head and gave Kayaki a close eyed smile. She pouted up at him.

"Don't touch my head! I'm literally almost as tall as you!"

"Almost. Almost is very important!" Kayaki laughed and made her way out of the hospital. The wind blew at her hair making it tumble across her face, "There must be a storm coming . . . I should go check on Machi." With her sleek black hair swinging to and fro, Kayaki turned on her heel and made way for her home.

Her long black hair, now reaching past her butt, was special. At night, it transformed and imitated the look of the sky. She could infuse chakra within strands of her hair and make it bend to her will.

"Machi! Here boy!" The tall girl bent down and ruffled the large huskies neck, "Who's a good boy? You are! Yes, you are!" She nuzzled her head against the dogs furry head. Kayaki sat down and leaned against the dogs torso.

"Woof!"

She sighed. Today had been stressful, but it wasn't like she wasn't expecting this to happen. However, it had happened so suddenly, and if it weren't for the practice she had in masking her emotions, she would've broken down there and then. Team Seven had recently gone on a mission to Orochimaru's hideout, but Kayuki wasn't allowed to go on the mission due to her recent knee injury. Lady Tsunade called her today because Team Seven hadn't come back yet so she had a feeling they had a run-in with Sasuke. She wanted Kayuki to run down and check to see what was holding the team up. Just the thought of seeing that boy again frightened her.

For the past three years she spent her time training. Hard. He had left her without saying a word, leaving her behind in a pile of tears. She perfected her skill of masking her emotion so she could appear confident even when she was tearing herself up inside. For three years, she had tried to forget him, his touch, his lips, his hands on her waist, everything. And now, for real she had to forget it. If Kayaki had to be honest with herself, she didn't like Sasuke anymore. And if she did, it clearly wasn't strong anymore because after he had left for power, she had lost almost all feeling for the raven haired boy.

"Machi, what do you think I should do?" Kayaki stroked the dog's fur. She could only imagine what he looked like now, after all he had gotten what he wanted-power. She wondered how strong he had become, whether he thought of her sometimes or completely pushed her away.

She didn't know, and she didn't want to know.

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><p>"I will be heading out now, milady." The black haired girl bowed and pulled her anbu mask over her face, hazel eyes gleaming through them.<p>

"Be careful Kayuki. Refrain from involving yourself in any fights, avoid them at all costs. Don't even let Team Seven see you." Tsunade bid farewell to the tall girl and watched as she sprinted out the window and swiftly jumped over the rooftops. Kayuki had definitely grown.

Kayuki stopped to pull up her thigh high socks. She wasn't wearing any shoes-they made noise and were a hindrance to the seventeen year old girl. As her trademark look, she had on her gold anklets and the short tunic like top. She was known as rattlesnake killer, because just like how a rattle snake shakes its tail, you could hear the soft jingle of her bells. In her fingerless gloves and beneath the sleeves of her tunic, around her forearm, she had senbon safely tucked away, hidden from the enemys sight. She had another twenty or so around her thighs beneath the tunic.

Kayuki pushed her hair back and rested her hand against her katanas.

"It's getting windy. I better head out fast." Hopping away, the black haired girl dissapeared from Konoha without a sound.

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><p>"It's been long, Naruto." The raven haired boy looked down at his ex-teammates and mainly towards the blond haired boy.<p>

"S-Sasuke!" Naruto's eyes widened at the sight of his rival and friend.

"Ah, so you must be Sasuke Uchiha." Sai spoke up looking at Sasuke, squinting because of the sunlight.

"And you? My replacement?"

"I was given a mission by Lord Danzo to kill you. But I'm done with listening to others and from now on, I will listen to myself only. I believe Naruto will help me regain my emotions. I do not know you all that well, Sasuke Uchiha, however Sakura and Naruto must have a reason for protecting you. They want to secure their bonds with you, not break them. " Sai held out his sword in defiance as Sasuke rolled his eyes. _Stupid boy._

"Yes, at some point I did want to secure those bonds with them. And that is why I chose to rid myself of those bonds, because I have bonds now which I need. Ones of hatred with my brother." His cold, emotionless eyes looked back at Naruto's crystal blue ones.

"Severing my ass! If you wanted to break the bonds, you should've just killed me three years ago and saved yourself the trouble!"Naruto clenched his fists, angry because his friend was looking down upon

him.

"It was a passing whim. I had my reasons, and I don't need to explain it to you." Sasuke quickly made his way in front of Naruto, as the others were stuck in their place, astonished by his newly attained speed.

"Sasuke-kun!" Saukra prepared to fight Sasuke and got into a stance.

"Say, Naruto, you dream was to become Hokage, ne? Maybe if you hadn't spent all your time searching for me and spent the time training, you would've been able to achieve your _dream _sooner." He unsheathed his sword and held it out, preparing to kill the blond boy.

"Some Hokage I'd be if I couldn't even save one friend." Naruto prevented his body from shaking and awaited for the blade to pierce through his skin. He didn't doubt one bit the possibility of Sasuke actually killing him. Naruto shut his eyes, but the blow never came. Instead, he heard the soft jingle of bells and the whiz of a whizzing by Sasuke, narrowly missing his face.

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><p>Well, if you haven't realized already I've decided not to write a story starting from the beginning and instead starting from the reunion of Team Seven in Shippuden.

Please Review and do the stuff that they do on please!

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2. Chapter 2

Ay! Here's chapter Two! Thank you to everyone who followed and reviewed! I'm still trying to figure out how this entire thing works, plus I wish had an app. I cri. Anyway, on with the story!

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><p>Recap:

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><p>Sasuke's onyx eyes shifted to the strange girl who had her Katana

placed at the base of his neck. She wore an anbu mask of the cat and a short green tunic like top with long sleeves that flared at the ends. By the way she referred to Naruto, as a Jinchurki, Sasuke figured she wasn't from the leaf. He lowered his sword to his side, and the black haired girl mirroring his movements. The girl shifted her weight to her right hip and he could catch a glimpse of hazel eyes. Hazel eyes . . . Black Hair . . . where had he seen that before?

"You must be . . . Sasuke Uchiha, I presume?" Kayuki walked forward, masking her terror. Sasuke, he had changed so much. Just by seeing how he raised his blade against his best friend, she could clearly tell he was serious. If she hadn't stopped him, he definitely would've attacked the poor boy.

" . . . Indeed . . . and who are you to address me like that?" Sasuke brushed past Naruto, the new girl completely capturing his interest. He discreetly moved his hand back towards his sword, preparing to attack the girl. She was starting to annoy him and he had enough of games for a day.

"That is for me to know and for you to find out." Kayuki stopped walking, for now she was mere centimeters from the raven's chest. She drew her katanas in both hands and held them at her sides, "Thank you for not killing the host. Greatly appreciated of you."

"Oi! Who are you?" Naruto hollered from behind Sasuke.

"Be quiet, Jinchuriki, someone else has captured my attention at the moment."

Sasuke felt the lightning spark from his fingertips. He swiftly pulled out his sword and with unimaginable speed had it at the girls neck. "I'm only going to ask you one more time. Tell me, who are you to me?"

Under her mask, Kayuki smirked. She jumped back onto a broken piece, "Uchiha boy, I need not reveal my identity to you, nor do I desire to allow these, _scumbags_, to know who I am." She felt slightly bad for calling her teammates scumbags, however for the sake of her identity and emotions, she needed to betray her heart.

Lightning sparked from Sasukes sword and he began to attack the masked shinobi. To his surprise, her speed was quicker than his and she moved behind him and swung at his neck. He ducked and landed on the ground.

"I must say, you are quite nimble on your feet."

"Thank you." Kayuki threw senbon towards Sasuke so he would keep his attention on her and not on her teammates. Sasuke deflected all attacks and flashed behind the unsuspecting girl. She quickly ran to her right and continued to fling senbon from her thighs at the Uchiha. She couldn't let down her guard. Pierced by the thin needles, Sasuke pulled it out and held it up to his eye. He moved the thin needle around in his fingers when something caught his eye. It was to letters, initials probably. Holding it closer to his eyes, Sasuke rubbed his thumb over the two letters. _KM._ Sasuke quickly realized that the girl wasn't an akatsuki member at all. In fact she was from the leaf and he did know her well. In fact, he knew her all TO

well.

A bead of sweat trickled down Kayuki's face. Sasuke had stopped attacking her and was inspecting the senbon which had pierced him. Only after she threw those senbon, did she realize that her senbon have her initials engraved in them. Kayuki prayed he wouldn't see them, but she knew it was hopeless, Those onyx eyes of his, nothing passed by them unseen. She began to run up the side of the wall, however her knee began to act up and she wasn't able to run any more. Collapsing on the ground, she felt all eyes on her. Kayuki pushed herself up using her katana and she could sense Sasuke's chakra behind her.

"What do _(huff) _you want _(huff)_," She heavily breathed out. Kayuki didn't bother turning around, instead stared at the ground.

"What are you doing here." Sasuke's beady eyes bore into the back of her skull.

Kayuki nervously fumbled with the handle of her swords. Within five seconds, her wall she had built over the three years had come crashing down and know she was helplessly trying to rebuild it, "I-I don't know what you're talking about."

"Don't lie, you know very well what I'm talking about _Kayuki."_ Sasuke ripped off her mask and spun the girl around to face him. He heard gasps from the others, but his attention was only on the girl standing on front of him.

Kayuki was speechless as her anbu mask clattered to the floor. She felt herself being forcefully spun around, and came face to face with none other than Sasuke Uchiha, "S-Sasuke!"

The raven haired boy didn't say a word but simply gazed at the girl in front of him. He took in her details from head to toe, from her long silky black hair that now reached past her waist to her feet that lacked in shoes. Just by touching her shoulder he could fell her newly developed muscles, and he noticed how tall she had gotten. He saw how her hands shook at her sides, how her weight was shifted to one leg and the fear that resided in her bright hazel eyes. Did he really frighten her that much?

Kayuki was overloaded with pain and shock. Firstly, she should've listened to that cranky old grandma when she said not to get involved with fights. She couldn't feel her knee and was pretty sure her body would give out any second now. Secondly, Sasuke just ripped over her mask and now he was just staring at her, and so were all the others. Lastly, after all that hard work in getting here and trying to avoid Sasuke at all costs due to her already unstable condition, she started to see spots, her vision slowly tilting to the right, and after that, her mind went blank.

"Kayuki-chan! Oi, what did you do to her Sasuke! I swear to god if you-" Naruto ran over to Sasuke and the now fainted Kayuki.

"I didn't do anything. You should take better care of your teammates, Naruto." Sasuke knelt down and brushed a strand of hair from his ex-lovers face. She was still beautiful, if not, even more stunning then what he had remembered. As for his feelings, they were still

there, no doubt about it. Debating with himself, he came to a conclusion and picked the girl up bridal style.

"I'm sorry but I can't have you taking my student." Captain Yamato clasped his hands together and wood began to sprout from the ground around Sasuke, but he simply jumped back against the wall and returned to his position beside Orochimaru.

With one last look, Sasuke turned around with Kayuki's body hanging from his hands. Orochimaru smirked behind him and whispered towards Kabuto. The silver haired medic pushed up his glasses, as they glinted in the sun.

"What a lovely reunion, indeed sir." And with that, the trio dissapeared deep into the woods taking Kayuki with them, leaving behind a shocked team seven.

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><p>Aye! I finished chapter two! Shame on you Sasuke . . . you can't quite go around taking girls as you please. XD

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